


Proclamation

LGBT Pride Month
June 1 – 30, 2015

- WHEREAS,** *June 2015 is LGBT Pride Month. Whereas gay pride and LGBT pride is the positive stance against discrimination and violence toward lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people to promote their self-affirmation, dignity, equal rights, increase their visibility as a social group, build community, and celebrate sexual identity diversity and gender variance; and*
- WHEREAS,** *the City of Bloomington takes pride in being a diverse and welcoming community to live, work and go to school; and*
- WHEREAS,** *the month of June was chosen for LGBT Pride Month to commemorate the Stonewall riots, which occurred at the end of June 1969 and many pride events are held during this month to recognize the impact LGBT people have had in the world; and*
- WHEREAS,** *LGBT people have made, and continue to make, great and lasting contributions that continue to strengthen the fabric of American society and there are many well-respected LGBT leaders in all professional fields; and*
- WHEREAS,** *the LGBT rights movement has achieved great progress, but there is more work to be done. LGBT youth should feel safe to learn without the fear of harassment, and LGBT families and seniors should be allowed to live their lives with dignity and respect; and*
- WHEREAS,** *during LGBT Pride Month, the Bloomington Human Rights Commission calls upon the community to work together to promote equal rights for all, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity;*
- THEREFORE** *be it resolved that I, Gene Winstead, Mayor of the City of Bloomington, Minnesota do hereby proclaim June 2015 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride Month and call upon the people of Bloomington to turn back discrimination and prejudice everywhere it exists.*

Dated this 1st day of June, 2015.



Gene Winstead, Mayor
City of Bloomington